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## ON THE EXPANSION OF $\operatorname{sn} x$ .

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(i.) Since  $\operatorname{sn}(-x) = -\operatorname{sn}x$ , we may assume

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{sn} x &= A_0 x + A_1 x^3 + A_2 x^5 + \dots; \\ \therefore \operatorname{sn} y &= A_0 y + A_1 y^3 + A_2 y^5 + \dots, \\ \operatorname{sn}(x+y) &= A_0(x+y) + A_1(x+y)^3 + \dots, \\ \operatorname{cn} x \operatorname{dn} x &= \operatorname{sn}' x = A_0 + 3A_1 x^2 + 5A_2 x^4 + \dots; \end{aligned}$$

and so for  $\operatorname{cn} y \operatorname{dn} y$ .

Substituting these developments in the formula

$$\operatorname{sn}(x+y) = \frac{\operatorname{sn}^2 x - \operatorname{sn}^2 y}{\operatorname{sn} x \operatorname{cn} y \operatorname{dn} y - \operatorname{sn} y \operatorname{cn} x \operatorname{dn} x},$$

we have, after clearing of fractions,

$$\begin{aligned} & [A_0(x+y) + A_1(x+y)^3 + \dots] \\ & \times \left[ \begin{aligned} & (A_0x + A_1x^3 + \dots)(A_0 + 3A_1y^2 + \dots) \\ & -(A_0y + A_1y^3 + \dots)(A_0 + 3A_1x^2 + \dots) \end{aligned} \right] \\ & = (A_0x + A_1x^3 + \dots)^2 - (A_0y + A_1y^3 + \dots)^2. \end{aligned} \quad (a)$$

Since the second member contains terms of the form  $cx^n$  or  $cy^n$  only, it follows that, if the first member be expanded and similar terms united, the coefficient of any resulting term, whose form is  $cx^p y^q$  where  $p, q > 0$ , must be equal to zero. We could thus obtain relations between the coefficients  $A_0, A_1, \dots, A_n$ . But actual multiplication is not necessary, since we are not concerned with the entire product. We proceed as follows:—

(2.) Performing the multiplication indicated in the first term of the second factor of the first member of (a), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (A_0x + A_1x^3 + \dots)(A_0 + 3A_1y^2 + \dots) \\
 = & A_0A_0y^0x + A_0A_1y^0x^3 + A_0A_2y^0x^5 + \dots \\
 + & 3A_1A_0y^2x + 3A_1A_1y^2x^3 + 3A_1A_2y^2x^5 + \dots \\
 + & 5A_2A_0y^4x + 5A_2A_1y^4x^3 + 5A_2A_2y^4x^5 + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

		Order in $x$ .				
		1	3	5	7	
Order in $y$ .	0	$A_0 A_0$	$A_0 A_1$	$A_0 A_2$	$A_0 A_3$	...
	2	$3A_1 A_0$	$3A_1 A_1$	$3A_1 A_2$	$3A_1 A_3$	...
	4	$5A_2 A_0$	$5A_2 A_1$	$5A_2 A_2$	$5A_2 A_3$	...
	6	$7A_3 A_0$	$7A_3 A_1$	$7A_3 A_2$	$7A_3 A_3$	...
	...	...	...	...	...	...

(β)

(3.) Because of symmetry, if  $x$  and  $y$  of this table be interchanged, we have the product of  $A_0 y + A_1 y^3 + \dots$  and  $A_0 + 3A_1 x^2 + \dots$

(4.) The first factor of (a) may be written  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n (x+y)^{2n+1}$ ,

or

		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Order in $y$ .	0		$A_0$		$A_1$		$A_2$		$A_3$
	1	$A_0$		$3A_1$		$5A_2$		$7A_3$	
	2		$3A_1$		$10A_2$		$21A_3$		
	3	$A_1$		$10A_2$		$35A_3$			
	4		$5A_2$		...				
	5	$A_2$		...					
	6		...						
	7	...							

(γ)

Suppose that we multiply (β) by (γ) and wish to find all terms in which  $x$  and  $y$  have the exponents  $p$  and  $q$ , respectively. Each of such terms will consist of two factors  $c_{st} x^s y^t$ ,  $c_{uv} x^u y^v$ , the one from (β), the other from (γ), where  $s+u=p$  and  $t+v=q$ . Since  $s \leq p$  and  $t \leq q$ , we see at once, what factors can come from (β); and since  $p=s+u$  and  $q=t+v$ , the factors from (γ) are determined. In fact, we have only to multiply the first term of (β) by that term of (γ) whose order

is the highest permissible; again, the next higher in  $(\beta)$  with reference to either variable by the next lower in  $(\gamma)$  with reference to the same variable, and so continue until  $s$  and  $t$  have reached their limits.

(5.) EXAMPLE. Let it be required to find the entire coefficient of  $x^5y^3$ .

From what has just been said,  $(\beta)$  multiplied by  $(\gamma)$  would give as the coefficient of  $x^5y^3$

$$A_0A_0 \cdot 35A_3 + A_0A_1 \cdot 10A_2 + A_0A_2 \cdot A_1 \\ + 3A_1A_0 \cdot 5A_2 + 3A_1A_1 \cdot 3A_1 + 3A_1A_2 \cdot A_0.$$

Now interchange  $x$  and  $y$ ; there results as the coefficient of  $y^5x^3$

$$A_0A_0 \cdot 21A_3 + A_0A_1 \cdot A_2 \\ + 3A_1A_0 \cdot 10A_2 + 3A_1A_1 \cdot A_1 \\ + 5A_2A_0 \cdot 3A_1 + 5A_2A_1 \cdot A_0.$$

But these must be equal, since the entire coefficient of  $x^5y^3$  equals zero [(3), (4)]. Collecting and transposing, we have

$$7A_3A_0^2 - 11A_2A_1A_0 + 3A_1^3 = 0.$$

From other considerations, we know that  $A_0 = 1$ ;

$$\therefore 7A_3 - 11A_2A_1 + 3A_1^3 = 0.$$

(6.) From  $(\gamma)$ , it is evident that we can always bring  $A_m$  into an equation involving  $A$ 's of lower subscript only, if we take  $p + q = 2(m + 1)$ . For example, we could have obtained the above equation by using  $x^6y^2$  instead of  $x^5y^3$ . Obviously, the smaller we can take  $q$ , the more simple will be the operation.

If  $q = 1$ , the result is an identity, and so of no value to us; but if  $q = 2$ , the result in general will not be an identity. We observe that the coefficient of the  $A_m$ ,  $q = 2$ , from  $(\gamma)$  is the same as the coefficient of the third term of  $(a + b)^{2m+1}$ , or  $m(2m + 1)$ . In  $(\beta)$ ,  $A_m$  does not occur while we are considering  $x^ry^2$ . Now interchange  $x$  and  $y$ ; i. e. consider  $x^2y^r$ . The  $A_m$  from  $(\gamma)$  has the same coefficient as the second term of  $(a + b)^{2m+1}$ , or  $2m + 1$ ; from  $(\beta)$ , it also has the coefficient  $2m + 1$ . These added together give  $2(2m + 1)$ ; but  $2(2m + 1)$  is not equal to  $m(2m + 1)$ , except for  $m = 2$ . Since, in general, we can obtain the required relations by making  $q = 2$ , we shall hereafter confine ourselves to that value. The operation then becomes very simple. E. g. Required the value of  $A_4$ .

Here  $p + q = 10$ ; therefore  $p = 8$ . We have, then,

$$A_0(A_0 \cdot 36A_4 + A_1 \cdot 21A_3 + A_2 \cdot 10A_2 + A_3 \cdot 3A_1) \\ + 3A_1(A_0 \cdot A_3 + A_1 \cdot A_2 + A_2 \cdot A_1 + A_3 \cdot A_0) \\ = A_0(A_0 \cdot 9A_4 + 3A_1 \cdot 7A_3 + 5A_2 \cdot 5A_2 + 7A_3 \cdot 3A_1 + 9A_4 \cdot A_0) \\ \therefore 6A_4 - 4A_3A_1 - 5A_2^2 + 2A_2A_1^2 = 0.$$

(7.) The relation sought is embodied in the following general equation:—

$$A_0 \sum_{r=1}^{r=m} r(2r+1) A_r A_{m-r} + 3A_1 \sum_{r=1}^{r=m} A_{r-1} A_{m-r} \\ = A_0 \sum_{r=1}^{r=m+1} (2r-1)(2m-2r+3) A_{r-1} A_{m-r+1}; \\ \therefore A_m = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} A_0 \sum_{r=2}^{r=m+1} (2r-1)(2m-2r+3) A_{r-1} A_{m-r+1} \\ - 3A_1 \sum_{r=1}^{r=m} A_{r-1} A_{m-r} - A_0 \sum_{r=1}^{r=m-1} r(2r+1) A_r A_{m-r} \end{array} \right\} \frac{(m-2)(2m+1) A_0^2}{(m-2)(2m+1) A_0^2}.$$

$m$  odd

$$A_m = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2A_0 \sum_{r=2}^{r=\frac{1}{2}(m+1)} (2r-1)(2m-2r+3) A_{r-1} A_{m-r+1} \\ - 6A_1 \sum_{r=1}^{r=\frac{1}{2}(m-1)} A_{r-1} A_{m-r} - 3A_1 A_{\frac{1}{2}(m-1)}^2 - \sum_{r=1}^{r=m-1} r(2r+1) A_r A_{m-r} \end{array} \right\} \frac{(m-2)(2m+1) A_0^2}{(m-2)(2m+1) A_0^2}.$$

$m$  even

$$A_m = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2A_0 \sum_{r=2}^{r=\frac{1}{2}m} (2r-1)(2m-2r+3) A_{r-1} A_{m-r+1} + (m+1)^2 A_0 A_{\frac{1}{2}m}^2 \\ - 6A_1 \sum_{r=1}^{r=\frac{1}{2}m} A_{r-1} A_{m-r} - A_0 \sum_{r=1}^{r=m-1} r(2r+1) A_r A_{m-r} \end{array} \right\} \frac{(m-2)(2m+1) A_0^2}{(m-2)(2m+1) A_0^2}.$$

By giving  $m$  the values 3, 4, . . . , we have

$$7A_3 - 11A_2 A_1 + 3A_1^3 = 0,$$

$$6A_4 - 4A_3 A_1 - 5A_2^2 + 2A_2 A_1^2 = 0,$$

$$11A_5 - 3A_4 A_1 - 13A_3 A_2 + 2A_3 A_1^2 + A_2^2 A_1 = 0,$$

$$26A_6 - A_5 A_1 - 22A_4 A_2 + 3A_4 A_1^2 - 14A_3^2 + 3A_3 A_2 A_1 = 0.$$

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#### OBSERVATIONS.

All terms are of order three, counting the  $A_0$ 's, and the weight of each term of any of these equations equals the greatest subscript, equals the number of terms.

$A_1$  and  $A_2$  are supposed to be known; they may be called the *source* of all succeeding ones. For in terms of these two, any that follow may be expressed.

NOTE.—A similar method is applicable to  $\operatorname{cn} x$  and  $\operatorname{dn} x$ .